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Via Email Only: smbiskupic@michaelbest.com

November 4, 2011

Governor Scott Walker
c/o Attorney Steve Biskupic
Michael Best & Friedrich, LLP
100 East Wisconsin Avenue, Suite 3300
Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53202-4108

Re: Close Friends to Recall Walker
WGAB # 0600018
Petitioner: David Brandt

Dear Attorney Biskupic:

This correspondence is to notify Governor Walker that a recall committee has registered with the Government Accountability Board and intends to circulate a recall petition against him. It is my understanding that you have been retained by Governor Walker to represent him with regard to any recall against him. Please confirm this understanding and if I am incorrect, please provide me with appropriate contact information to which I may provide this notice.

Please find enclosed a copy of the recall registration statement (GAB-1) filed by the Close Friends to Recall Walker committee and specifically by the petitioner, David Brandt. In addition, please also find enclosed a copy of our correspondence to Mr. Brandt regarding his recall petition effort.

Please note that the G.A.B. recall manual is located on our web site at the following link and may answer questions you may have about the recall process: <http://gab.wi.gov/publications/manuals/recall>

Please also find enclosed a November 1, 2011 memorandum prepared by the G.A.B. regarding ethics matters relating to legislative recalls; however, equally applicable to the recall of Governor Walker. This memorandum will also be provided to Governor Walker's legal counsel, Brian Hagedorn.

Certain campaign finance reporting requirements and special campaign finance provisions apply to recall funds. Governor Walker's campaign committee must file reports at same times and for the same periods identified in the enclosed correspondence to Mr. Brandt. Please also review the March 15, 2011 memorandum regarding recall expense funds at the following link for additional information: <http://gab.wi.gov/publications/other/recall-expense-funds#attachments> . **Please also take note the exemption from contribution limits for recall expenses expires at the time of the order for the recall election or end of the challenge of the order. Thereafter, regular campaign finance limits found in Wis. Stat. § 11.26 apply for the period to circulate nomination papers and through any recall election.**

If you have any questions regarding the memorandum or campaign finance matters, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Finally, it would be helpful to our office if you would confirm a representative contact for Governor Walker, including mailing address, email address, and telephone number, so that we may be able to communicate with that representative in the future.

If you have any further questions, please feel free to call me at (608) 266-0136 or email me at Michael.Haas@wi.gov .

Sincerely,

GOVERNMENT ACCOUNTABILITY BOARD

/s/

Michael Haas
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